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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2011
INFO AMCONSUL ASMARA
AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM
AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: POSSIBLE KIDNAPPING OF AMCITS

REF: ADDIS ABABA 12247

1. NOTHING FURTHER TO REPORT ON EITHER OF TWO CASES
(ASSUMING THERE ARE TWO). CONOFF WAS UNABLE TO PROCEED TO
GONDAR OVER PAST WEEKEND BECAUSE OF AIRCRAFT SCHEDULING
DIFFICULTIES. ATTITUDE OF ETHIOPIANS TOWARD PROPOSED
VISIT IS STILL IN ANY CASE UNCLEAR. WE AND BRITS WILL
NONETHELESS KEEP TRYING AND WILL INFORM. WE HAVE NO
NEW REPORTS OF TROUBLE IN AREA AND HAVE IMPRESSION
SITUATION HAS CALMED DOWN. ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES, HOW-
EVER, HAS CANCELLED FLIGHT TO GONDAR DEC 14 AND 15. WE
ARE NOT SURE WHETHER THIS RELATED TO SECURITY
MATTERS.

2. FOR NAIROBI: EPMG DEC 10 SURFACED PUBLICLY
PART OF PROBLEM BY ANNOUNCING SEVERAL PEOPLE KILLED AND
SEVERAL INJURED DEC 8 WHEN "ANARCHISTS CLASHED WITH
SECURITY FORCES DURING A DEMONSTRATION IN GONDAR."
SUGGEST YOU USE THIS AS A PEG FOR ANY INQUIRY YOU
MIGHT MAKE WITH ETHIOPIAN TOURIST ORGANIZATION IN
NAIROBI ON BEHALF OF LADIES CLUB.
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